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MEMORANDUM FOR: Under Secretary of the Air Force

SUBJECT : Management of LANYARD

REFERENCE : Memorandum for DDR/CIA, from Under Secretary of the Air Force, dated 2 April 1962, same subject.

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1. In regard to the LANYARD program, I concur in the management procedures as outlined in the referenced memorandum.

2. CIA agrees to accept responsibility for the operations as outlined in paragraph 1. c. CIA will also undertake to extend the CORONA teletype net to include the additional offices referred to in paragraph 1. c.

3. With regard to security administration, referred to in paragraph 1. d., I would suggest that an officer of your staff in conjunction with  work out the manner in which LANYARD will be incorporated into the CORONA system to ensure that an effective security program results.

4. I also agree in accordance with paragraph 1. b. to the assignment of responsibility for technical management of all aspects of LANYARD to the Director of Special Projects, OSAF, Major General Greer. Although this procedure is at variance with that followed in the CORONA program, I believe this to be the most desirable management in view of his previous responsibility for the development of the major elements of the LANYARD payload. This office would appreciate being kept informed on the progress and changes in this project as it proceeds. In this connection I hereby designate Lt. Colonel Charles L. Murphy, who is the CORONA Agency representative on the west coast, as liaison to General Greer for the LANYARD project. CIA will also undertake the responsibility for contract administration for the payload and those portions of the recovery system which must be procured covertly.

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4. I believe that this procedure of clear-cut assignment of the specific phases of a given reconnaissance project is highly desirable, but of course the actual responsibilities will vary from project to project. I believe we should try to arrange such management directives for the assignment of specific responsibility for all projects as soon as they have been approved.

/S/

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